

JOSIAH-KATE BARLOW

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UNCLES & AUNTS

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Thomas Lincoln Family

Uncles & Aunts
Josiah Lincoln and Kate
Barlow

Excerpts from newspapers and other
sources

From the files of the
Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection

Chicago, Illinois,

September 20, 1932.



Mr Louis A. Warren,
Fort Wayne,
Indiana.

Dear Mr. Warren:-

May I thank you
for your research work on our
family tree. If my D. A. R.
record will be of any use to
you please tell me so.

I am a descendant of Capt.
Abraham Lincoln, Grand

father of Abraham Lincoln for whom
he was named.

Outside the record I know very little of the Lincoln family. Your record sustains my Mother's Lettie Briscoe Cole's, daughter of Nancy Lincoln Briscoe who was the daughter of Josiah Lincoln son of Capt. Abraham Lincoln. He found that every one of Abraham's brothers fought in the Revolution. Mother told me that Thomas Lincoln's father was buried under a large oak tree after night. They were all so frightened for fear the Indians would get the body and desecrate it.

I certainly do feel guilty in this day and age when you historians are trying so hard to get facts that I did not put into writing my Mother and father's memories. The only other fact I can recall at present is that Abe's Mother died of milk sickness. Milk fever.

The record in the Corydon, Indiana Courthouse is a record of money received from the sale of slaves I think and yet it was decided in my own D.A.R. chapter that I could not give the history of my ancestor because a member of the society was a descendant of Booth. (There must have been some D.A.R. in the chapter as well for they insisted I give it, and I did) From Bardonia where I stopped with a family of southern people who informed me they would give me the "low down on the Lincolns" And proceed to produce a dish

of scandal such as you hear among
the lower Class of Americans (if you will
listen) And agreed that he, (the teller of the tales)
also looked just like a man then employed
at the swine. Also told me that Thomas
as a surveyor helped lay out the Andrew
Jackson highway that is still in use.
And they were putting in a bathroom
preparing to live off the fame of the
Lincoln they were defaming. Did you
know that one of the men connected
with the swine W. H. Hall is a 3rd Cousin
of Nancy Hanks. If you will write to
English, Indiana you can get the
address of a Lincoln whose father was
a brother to Thomas Lincoln: He was
in business there about two years ago.
The Lincoln name will always have to suf-
fer. The southern people themselves say so. It
is quite amusing to hear them tell the so not
knowing what I am. But God must have
loved it for centuries it has been in literature.
Lincolnshire England, Robert Lincoln, the famous or
infamous Earl of Lincoln who was Robin Hood and should
any human name die who owns the name still live
in history would it not be the same?

As a Irish man the Lincoln went from
the American river, 644 Lincoln Ave.

September 22, 1932

Mr. Louis Nathan Warren,
1000 North Lincoln,
Fort Fisher, Ark.

Dear Mr. Warren:-

My family is very much interested in your
work. We have several thousand volumes in our li-
brary. Among these are the following written by you:

Mrs. Sebastian Kurrie
6049 University Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Kurrie:

It has occurred to me that you might like to
have some of the bulletins which I have recently written
on the Lincoln family. You may be sure I am intensely
interested in the descendants of Josiah Briscoe and if
enough information can be gotten together, I should like
very much to write a brief account of this family.

I am especially anxious to learn who was the
mother of Josiah and whether or not any of his children
were named for her.

If you know of any other members of Josiah Lincoln's
family who are apt to have any history of the Lincoln, I
should like very much to correspond with them.

I would also be pleased to have anything that might
lead me to discover the Revolutionary War records of any
of the other Lincolns beside the pioneer Abraham Lincoln.
In fact, anything of interest about the family would be very
much appreciated. Thank you very much for the traditions
which you have given me about the burial of the old pioneer
Lincolns.

Very sincerely yours,

LAW:LH

Director
Lincoln Historical Research Foundation

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Barlow Family

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
JAMES C. DAVIS, CHIEF



July 8, 1935

June 26, 1935

Mr. Louis A. Warren, Director,
Lincoln National Life Foundation,
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Warren:-

Received your letter of June 26, 1935, with
the inscription "Capt. H.L. Barlow"
Los Angeles Police Department
Room 66, City Hall
Los Angeles, California
I had previously received a letter signed by you and am very
grateful for your interest.

My dear Mr. Barlow:
I am very glad indeed to comply with your request
for autograph inserts which you will find enclosed.
I am also taking the liberty under separate cover
to send you some other booklets which I have autographed, which
you may have for your library.

We are also taking the liberty under separate cover
to send you some other booklets which I have autographed, which
you may have for your library.
Perhaps you are familiar with the fact that Abraham
Lincoln had an aunt by the name of Katie Barlow Lincoln, wife of
Josiah Lincoln, who was a brother of Abraham Lincoln's father.
Many book stores in Los Angeles and other cities would be
of any assistance to you in running down information
concerning Lincoln I will be pleased to do so.

Very truly yours,
Director
Lincoln National Life Foundation
LAW:EB
Encs.

Very truly yours,

H. L. Barlow
Capt. H. L. Barlow,
Supt. Record & Ident. Div.
Los Angeles Police Dept.
Room 66, City Hall.

HLS:sh



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
JAMES E. DAVIS, CHIEF



July 3, 1935

In Replying please give
Our Reference No. **1.7.1.**

Mr. Louis A. Warren, Director,
Lincoln National Life Foundation,
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Warren:-

Received your letter of June 26, 1935, with the inscriptions to insert in the books. I had previously received the booklets signed by you and am very grateful for your courtesy.

I did not know that Abraham Lincoln's aunt was named Katie Barlow Lincoln. The Lincoln Lore is very interesting and I am glad to have it in one of my books. It is possible of course that the Barlow mentioned ties into my family tree, as we have not had the genealogy traced.

I was born in Massachusetts, as well as my parents, and later moved to Connecticut. Came to California eighteen years ago and like it very much out here.

In connection with your historical research on Lincoln's life you might bear this in mind, there are many book stores in Los Angeles and if I could ever be of any assistance to you in running down some information concerning Lincoln I will be pleased to do so.

Again thanking you and with best wishes for health and continued success, I am

Very truly yours,

H. L. Barlow
Capt. H. L. Barlow,
Supt. Record & Ident. Div.
Los Angeles Police Dept.
Room 66, City Hall.

HLB:mh

April 24, 1944

Dr Louis A. Warren,
Fort Wayne Ind.

Dr Warren,

A article in our barrier journal
of late date prompted me to write to you.

I believe you have information
which I have long wanted and have not
known how to get.

My grandmother was a second cousin
to Abraham Lincoln, of this I am quite
sure, but I have never known just how!
It seems none other of my family
has ever bothered to find out.

Grandmother's name was Mrs J. P. Cole
and Letty Brisco. before marriage. She lived
all of her life in Southern Indiana, some
of the Briscos still live in Depauw Ind.

I am afraid you are very busy, and
that this is asking too much of you.

but if you should, answer, in kindness.

I assure you I will thank you very much.

Yours very truly.

Aline E. Sharpe.

Mrs Carl Sharpe.

115 Claremont Ave.

Louisville 6 Ky.

April 28, 1944

Mrs. Carl Sharpe
115 Claremont Ave.
Louisville, 6, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Sharpe:

We are pleased to enclose a bulletin which I think will give you the history of your family showing its connection with the family of Abraham Lincoln.

Please accept the little bulletin with my compliments.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB
Enc.

Director

August 8, 1948.

Dr. Louis A. Warren
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Dr. Warren:

You will see that I have not hastened to send on the sheet dated 1942. I thot ~~it~~ could not be of any value to you but now that I am writing about a clipping of recent date I think to include the 1942. The writer of it is my br ther in law, Mr. Adin Baber of Kansas, Illinois.

I include the list her efers to, just to show you what I sent to him. I have no use no for either of those sheets.

The clipping from the Los Angeles Examiner is no doubt as many thousands --vet one might sometime find a bit of value. The clipping was sent me by a relative in Los Angeles and she has no interest in Lincoln information but knew I did and was kind enough to ask the "City Mother" for the address of the owner of the pictures.

Owner's address is Mrs. E. M. THOMPSON
1215 N. Willowbrook Ave.
Compton, California

You do not need to return clipping, but it would be ^{of} interest if something worth while came of it.

Respectfully,

May I add here that all the appreciations in LINCOLN LORE #1000 are felt by thousands of us lesser lights who would that we, too, could find words to express our thankfulness to the EDITOR OF LINCOLN LORE.

Sincerely,

Esther Shost Dudley

Mrs. Gerry B. Dudley
895-7th Street
Charleston, Illinois

August 11, 1948

Mrs. Gerry B. Dudley
895 - 7th Street
Charleston, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Dudley:

I am greatly interested in the letter which you attached to your correspondence by your brother-in-law Adin Baber.

I would very much like to learn the whereabouts of Mrs. Westonfeld because we have had very little success in running down the decedents of Josiah Lincoln. It would be a great convenience indeed if you could tell me where she could be reached. Thanks also for the little clipping which you sent along with your letter. I shall be happy to return the letter of your brother if you care to have me do so.

Very truly yours,

LAW/DPB
L. A. Warren

Director

P.S. Of course I appreciate your kind words about Lincoln Lore.
L.A.W.

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State Theatre

Olivet, Michigan

Earl A. London
Office Phone 3861

Olive J. London
Residence Phone 3922

Dec. 4, 1948

Lincoln Institute
Fart Wayne, Indiana.

Gentlemen:

I have been told that you would help me trace my lineage back to Josiah Lincoln & that you might have interesting papers etc. which you would send to me.

This is my connection as I understand it & I would like to have it checked for correctness

1. Josiah Lincoln - married whom?
children - Nancy Lincoln
names of other children including father of Abe.?
2. Nancy Lincoln - married John Brisco
children - Lettie
other children?
3. Lettie Brisco - married Johnathan Cole.
children - Oline
Alice?
Margaret?
others? -
4. Oline Cole - married Millard Sharp
children - John - David - Carl - Montford - Lettie - Bertha - Lettie

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5. David Sharp - married Bessie Boyd.
children - Harold, Clarence, Aline

6. Olive Sharp - married Earl London
children - John, Carolyn, Richard.

I will be glad to pay if there is a charge for
this service. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Olive (Sharp) London.

(Mrs. E. A. London)
Olivet, Mich

JOSIAH LINCOLN

December 7, 1948

Mrs. Olive F. London
State Theatre
Olivet, Michigan

My dear Madam:

We are very happy indeed to have your letter
and further notes on the Lincoln genealogy.

You will find attached a pamphlet which gives
the story of Lincoln's Uncle Josiah, which was your forebear.
Please accept the pamphlet with our compliments.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB
Enc.

Director

LINCOLN MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

To the Editor of The Star:

I am 83 years old and was born and reared in Milltown and immediate vicinity right in the midst of the Lincoln Settlement. Josiah Lincoln in 1813 came from Washington county, Kentucky, came up by way of Corydon and settled in what is now Blue River township in Harrison county. At that time Josiah had a wife and one son, Thomas, who was born in Washington county, Kentucky. Soon after he settled in Blue River township, Harrison county, a second son, Jacob, was born. Later four daughters were born, one of whom married Isom Denton, another married John Briscoe, another married John Scrutchedfield and the fourth married a man named Sullenger, who went West and became estranged to the family. The youngest son, Jacob, married Martha Gibbs of Crawford county, a sister of the well-known William Gibbs, deceased. Jacob lived in Blue River township until the rebellion, then with his family went to Missouri. With this Jacob Lincoln I was personally acquainted and many times talked with him and learned much about the family, he being a blood cousin to the President. On one occasion he told me the story of his father exchanging horses with his uncle Thomas, the horse his father got in the exchange became very valuable and that he worked the horse many days on his father's farm. He said he heard his father tell many times where he got the horse, this alone would seem to be sufficient evidence.

Waldo Lincoln of Massachusetts, who wrote the most complete history of the Lincoln family ever written and all information that I have been able to gather and my personal knowledge of the family points to the fact that Thomas Lincoln crossed the Ohio river at Boones Ford, south of Corydon, and landed in the Boone Settlement, he being acquainted with and related to the Boones in Harrison county, who had come before and settled there. Boone township was named in honor of its first settlers. I have affidavits showing he followed what was known as the Goosenberry trail from there to Corydon. From there he followed the Governors trail through French Town, thence a short distance over in Blue River township to where his brother Josiah lived. After a few days visit he came by and crossed Blue river at Milltown, thence he followed the New Albany and Jasper trail to Springtown, where he stopped with or near a man named William Johnson, father of the late Prof. J. M. Johnson. This seems unmistakably where he, Abie, borrowed the book, as affidavits now on file will show. From there he again followed the old trail leading to Jasper and on down to Lincoln City. There is no doubt in my mind but what this was the route the Lincolns traveled while making their journey to Lincoln City.

J. L. SUMMERS.
Milltown, Ind. *June 28th.*

BARLOW KNIFE

Trusty Old Time Cutlery Was The Invention of a Kentuckian Man

Many persons have either owned a Barlow knife or heard of it; but few probably are aware that for a Kentuckian is claimed the distinction of having invented and manufactured the first of that type of cutlery. Recent historical research accords to a Nicholas county man the distinction of having devised the pocket knife that bears his name and which has been a prime requisite for the small boy for several generations.

Leason T. Barlow is credited with having fashioned the first Barlow knife early in the last century. According to tradition he was an inventive genius and a skilled mechanic in those days. He made pocketknives with two blades as well as the single-bladed Barlows that he supplied to his clientele. The cutlery he turned out was crude, but in practically every detail corresponded to the "Barlow" of the present day.

It would seem that the originator of such a useful implement as the Barlow knife deserved better than to have been practically overlooked or forgotten in the long interim since he plied his vocation. His brother, T. H. Barlow, with whom he was associated, was an inventor, and it is claimed designed a steamboat and locomotive that was successfully operated in public demonstrations in 1828.

Thomas Barlow has been credited with having devised the knife of that name, but it is claimed that research has established that the credit for inventing the Barlow knife belongs to his brother, who was not as well known as the other Barlow. Kentucky inventive genius has had many ramifications, but probably none is entitled to more consideration than the originator of the time-honored Barlow knife. *Harrodsburg Herald*

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Josiah Lincoln

- Josiah Lincoln the second son of the Senior Abraham Lincoln , was born in the latter part of the year 1773 or the early part of the year 1774. The Washington County tax lists show him to have been under twenty-one in 1794.* (61)
- The Court asks him in the year 1785 why he has not turned in for taxation a list of his property implying he was twenty-one at that time.* In 1811 Josiah lists one tithable, three horses sixty acres of land in Washington County and nine hundred and sixty acres on the Kentucky River.* It is in (62)
- the same year that Josiah sell this Washington County property and we believe this was the date of his removal to Harrison County Indiana.* (63)
- On Feb. 21, 1801 Josiah had married Catherine Barlow* (64)
- To this union the following children were born.: Barbara who married John Crutchfield Oct. 3, 1819. Thomas , who married Sarah Weathers in 1825; Elizabeth , who married Isom Denton, July 17, 1826; Nancy who married John Briscoe, March 13, 1827.
- Josiah died in September 1835 in Harrison County , Indiana.* (65)

Josiah 5.

- 1715 Resided at Sweet hole Perry Island
Bought land in New Jersey of John Harrison Jr.
of Beth Ansoy
Josiah's son Daniel married Phoebe Harrison d. of John
' was son of John Jr. first Perry.
1756 John Jr. was under guardianship of John Harrison. 17
1767 He had died to this move
1761 Josiah's son Daniel was 16 years old
1766 John was 21 years of age
Harrison's first wife was Edith Herrin.



